

# Richmond Refinery LPS Alert



## Improper Disposal of Waste



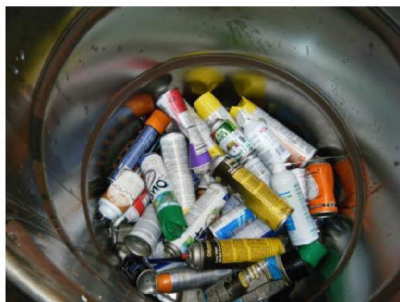
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Refinery-Wide

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All of this (& more) was  
improperly disposed in one  
day's refinery waste

**Always remember to do  
your LPSA – because  
we care about you!**

### Incident Description:

Inappropriate disposal of aerosol cans, batteries, electronics, oil samples, and medical waste is a persistent problem. Every week, buckets of these materials are found in the Refinery's general waste.

What's the worst thing that could happen?

- Could someone get contaminated with blood from a used hypodermic needle?
- Could incompatible chemicals get mixed together & react?
- Could we contaminate clean waste and dispose of it as hazardous waste (more \$\$\$)?

Did you know that RTC hand sorts all the Refinery general waste to look for materials that can be recycled?

### Immediate Actions To Take:

Dispose of waste appropriately:

- Be aware of what you are throwing away into general waste bins.
- Make sure you are knowledgeable of different wastes and appropriate collection bins
- Save or print the list of disposal containers.
- If you are unsure of how to properly dispose of something, ask a co-worker or supervisor.
- If you are a supervisor, make it a priority to have a group discussion on this issue.
- Most importantly, remember you have Stop / Pause Work Authority.

## LOSS PREVENTION SELF-ASSESSMENT

**BEFORE BEGINNING ANY ACTIVITY/TASK/JOB, AFTER A LOSS OR NEAR LOSS, ANY UNUSUAL CIRCUMSTANCES:**



### ASSESS the risk!

What could go wrong?

What is the worst thing that could happen if something does go wrong?

### ANALYZE how to reduce the risk!

Do I have all the necessary Training and Knowledge to do this job properly?  
Do I have all the proper Tools and Personal Protective Equipment?

### ACT to ensure loss-free operations!

Take necessary Action to ensure the job is done properly!  
Follow written procedures! Ask for assistance, if needed!

**DO NOT PROCEED UNLESS ALL RISKS HAVE BEEN ADDRESSED!**

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